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Applicants hereby request an oral hearing in the appeal pending before the Board in the above-identified application. This request is timely filed within two months of the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer. Accompanying this request is our check for the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(d).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 29498/30004. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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